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Title:	Retroreflective Function Member and Retroreflective Unit		

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With respect to the identified patent application, applicant respectfully requests a corrected filing receipt with the following correction:

In the section entitled Title, please change "Retroreflective functional member and retroreflecting unit" to -Retroreflective function member and retroreflective unit--.

This requested correction is in accordance with the Application Data Sheet and the Transmittal letter to the United States designated/elected office filed concurrently with the application and the Declaration as filed with the Response to Missing Requirements filed 13 March 2006.

Applicant encloses a hand-amended copy of the filing receipt showing the requested correction.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

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		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/16361	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 19 December 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 19 December 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION Retroreflective function member and retroreflective unit		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Osamu TSUTSUI		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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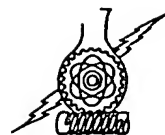
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Title Of Invention: RETROREFLECTIVE FUNCTION MEMBER
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Application PCT/JP03/16361 filed 19 December 2003

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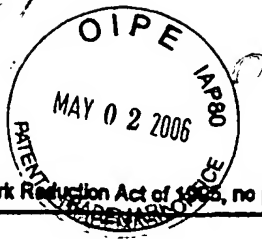
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